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series of county records in the State. It is a subject of great regret that the rich county of Norfolk should be so indifferent to them, and should allow them to decay unchecked. The writer of this notice has some abstracts made from these records twenty years ago which show how much these records have deteriorated since that time. For instance the will of Wm. Crawford (1700) was then almost perfect. It is to be hoped that the county authorities will not allow this condition to remain; but will at once have these precious records repaired in the most modern way.

Mr. McIntosh in preparing these abstracts (which he presented to the Colonial Dames), has done a most laborious and valuable work, and the Society has made a real contribution to our historic material by publishing them.

The stable character of the population of Norfolk and Princess Ann is remarkably illustrated by these books, and there are hundreds of names which are now found or recently existed in the vicinity. Among them are Bain, Ballentine, Batchelor, Bonney, Burroughs, Bowers, Brough, Butts, Capps, Cornick, Corprew, Culpeper, Etheridge, Fentress, Ferebee, Ivey, Keeling, Kemp, Land, Langley, Lawson, Malbone, Mason, Moore, Moseley, Nash, Newton, Old, Porter, Portlock, Sayer, Sherwood, Sikes, Spratt, Taylor, Thorowgood, Thurston, Veale, Walke, Herbert, Williamson and many others well known.

By a misprint one of the entries in the index which should be Moseley is printed as Moreley.

The book is beautifully printed and has a very complete index and should have a large sale.

GENEALOGY OF THE VIRGINIA FAMILY OF LOMAX, with References to the Lunsford, Wormeley, Micou, Roy, Corbln [&, &c]. Chicago, Rand-McNally & Co., 1913, pp. 79, with ten portraits and three coats of arms.

There has evidently been a sufficient demand for this privately printed genealogy, favorably noticed in a former number of our magazine, to cause it to be placed on sale with the publishers.

MAPS RELATING TO VIRGINIA in the Virginia State Library and Other Departments of the Commonwealth, with the 17th and 18th Century Atlas-maps in the Library of Congress. Compiled by Earl G. Swem, Assistant Librarian. Virginia State Library Bulletin, April, July, 1914, Vol. 7, Nos. 2 and 3. Richmond, Davis Bottom, Superintendent of Public Printing, 1914, pp. 233.

The scope of this valuable publication is considerably wider than the title would indicate. Not only are there lists of these maps in the Library and in the office of the Corporation Commission (inherited from the old Board of Public Works) and in the atlases in the Library of Congress, but additional ones are given from a number of other collections.

This is the first work of its extent in regard to Virginia Cartography which has been published and is a most valuable addition to the series of bulletins already issued by the State Library. Mr. Swem has done his work with great thoroughness and skill.

COLONIAL MANSIONS OF MARYLAND AND DELAWARE. BY JOHN MARTIN HAMMOND. With sixty-five illustrations. Philadelphia and London. J. B. Lippincott Company, 1914, pp. XIII, 304.

Maryland and Delaware have many fine and interesting colonial houses, and Mr. Hammond has done a real service in preserving their pictures and histories in this beautiful book. There are many striking illustrations, often giving details of exterior and interior architecture, and in connection with the history of each house is a brief account of the families associated with it. In this way upwards of a hundred families and branches of families in the two states are treated of. In history, architecture and genealogy a rich fund of information is given in a very attractive way.

GENEALOGY OF THE FISHBACK FAMILY IN AMERICA. The Descendants of John Fishback the Emigrant, with an Historical Sketch of His Family and of the Colony at Germanna and Germantown, Virginia, 1714-1914. Compiled and edited by Willis M. Kemper, Cincinnati. Illustrated. Published by Thomas Madison Taylor, twelve West Forty-fourth Street, New York, 1914, pp. V, 359, with illustrations, maps and a full index.

The very important German element in the population of Virginia, long much neglected by historians and genealogists, has in late years received much more attention. The present book is a valuable addition to our literature on the subject. The genealogy of the Fishback family, beginning with John Fishback who emigrated from Truback near Sieg in Nassau, in 1714, down to the present time is given fully and clearly, in all lines of descendants, births, male and female. Mr. Kemper has visited Germany and the Virginia Germanna and Germantown in the course of his investigations and has evidently worked with great thoroughness.

Students of Virginia history who are not especially interested in the Fishback family will find matter of great interest in the careful study of the early German settlements in Virginia and of the colonies at Germanna and Germantown (Fauquier Co.). Mr. Kemper's work on this subject in a former book on the Kemper family has been favorably commented on, but the present study contains the results of much fuller investigations.

THE RELIGIOUS DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEGRO IN VIRGINIA. A Dissertation Submitted to the Faculty of the University of Virginia in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy. By Joseph B. Earnest, M. A., Norfolk, Va. The